



**COUNCIL PRESIDENT
SCOTT H. PETERS**

CITY OF SAN DIEGO

May 2, 2006

Dear Black Mountain Ranch Resident:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the issue of Black Mountain Ranch resident representation on the Rancho Peñasquitos Community Planning Board.

In January 2006, I recognized the need to have Black Mountain Ranch residents on an advisory board for land use matters that affect their community. I made a request to the Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Group to add two seats to their current board of twenty board members. The Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Group voted unanimously to add the seats and have been working diligently to amend their bylaws to accommodate these changes. The board members are in the process of updating their bylaws to conform to Council Policy 600-24. The City Council approved this policy in October 2005 to update provisions in the adopted policy that govern local planning boards.

All planning groups were given 18 months to work with the City's Planning Department staff to update their bylaws. In their effort to expedite the addition of the Black Mountain Ranch seats, the planning group will have a bylaws/elections subcommittee meeting this month and vote on the final draft at their May meeting. At that time, the amended bylaws will be submitted to the City, and I will work to place this on the City Council agenda at the earliest date possible. This process will likely take six to eight weeks for City Council in July or August.

I appreciate the community's willingness to get involved in local land use projects. These projects are important to me and your neighbors. I look forward to working with you to receive the community's input and cooperation in the near future. If you have any questions, please contact Woo-Jin Shim in my office at 619-236-6611.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott H. Peters".

Scott H. Peters

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